

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L TEHRAN 9399

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PORS, PINS, IR  
SUBJ: AYATOLLAH KHOMEINI SITUATION

REF: A. TEHRAN 9251 (NOTAL), B. TEHRAN 9307 (NOTAL)

1. IRANIAN PRESS SEPT 27 CARRIED BRIEF AFP ITEM BASED ON TALKS WITH IRANIAN SHIITE MUSLIM SPOKEMAN IN QOM WHICH SAID IRAQ HAS "WITHDRAWN" RESTRICTIVE MEASURES REPORTEDLY IMPOSED ON AYATOLLAH KHOMEINI. SHIITE SPOKESMAN HERE WELCOME REPORT, BUT CRITICIZED IRAQIS FOR INITIAL DECISION TO RESTRICT KHOMEINI'S ACTIVITIES IN FIRST PLACE (REF A). STROY REFERRED TO REPORTS OF KHOMEINI RESTRICTION COMING FROM PARIS COMMUNIQUE OF AN IRANIAN HUMAN RIGHTS GROUP WHICH SAID IRAQ "BOWING TO PRESSURE FROM IRAN, HAS CUT OFF VISITORS" TO KHOMEINI HOME.

2. PRESS REPORT ABOVE WAS FIRST OFFICIAL REFERENCE TO KHOMEINI HOUSE ARREST IN PERSIAN PRESS. THERE HAS APPARENTLY BEEN DISCUSSION OF MATTER WITHIN RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY, BUT NO OVERT ACTION OR REFERENCE TO MATTER AS REF A HAD  
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SUGGESTED. ACCORING TO SOME RELIGIOUS SOU, KHOMEINI'S HOUSE ARREST APPEARS TO HAVE TAKEN BACK SEAT TO DISCUSSION OF DISAPPEARANCE OF IMAM SADR AT LEAST PARTLY BECUASE NEWS OF HIS TROUBLES WAS NOT WIDESPREAD AND SADR MATTER HAD ALREADY ENTERED PUBLIC DISCUSSION HERE (REF B).

3. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INDEPENDENCE CONFIRMATION

BAGHDAD COULD TURN UP REGARDING EXACT STATUS OF KHOMEINI.  
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